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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Dany Sylvain

Serial No. 10/723,831 Filed: 11/26/2003 Examiner: Nguyen, Khai Minh

Art Unit: 2687

For: CALL TRANSFER FOR AN INTEGRATED PACKET AND WIRELESS SERVICE USING A TEMPORARY DIRECTORY NUMBER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 OF BENJAMIN S. WITHROW

- 1. My name is Benjamin S. Withrow of the law firm of Withrow & Terranova, PLLC, and I am a registered U.S. patent attorney, Registration No. 40,876.
- 2. Starting in 2000, and continuing until the present time, I have been retained as outside counsel for Nortel Networks, Ltd. ("Nortel"), the assignee of the present application.
- 3. On or about September 25, 2003, I received instructions from Nortel to prepare and file a patent application for an Invention Disclosure entitled "Routing of Wireline Calls to a Temporary Wireless Number", which is attached to this Declaration as Appendix A (hereinafter "Invention Disclosure"). This Invention Disclosure was assigned attorney docket number 7000-313.
- 4. The Invention Disclosure was completed by the inventor, Dany Sylvain, on August 22, 2003.
- 5. Prior to September 25, 2003, I received instructions from Nortel to prepare and file patent applications for a number of previous Invention Disclosures.

- 6. From the time of receiving the instructions from Nortel to prepare and file patent applications for a number of previous Invention Disclosures until about November 6, 2003, I worked to prepare patent applications for the number of previous Invention Disclosures in essentially a chronological, first-in-first-out fashion.
- 7. Starting on or about September 26, 2003 and continuing through November 6, 2003, I diligently reviewed the Invention Disclosure, met with the inventor Dany Sylvain, and diligently worked to prepare a patent application (hereinafter "Patent Application") claiming the invention disclosed in the Invention Disclosure.
- 8. On November 6, 2003, my assistant, Jennifer Alkove, sent a first draft of the Patent Application (hereinafter "First Draft") to the inventor, as evidenced by the e-mail attached to this Declaration as Appendix B.
- 9. On November 10, 2003, I received very minor comments from the inventor regarding the First Draft, as evidenced by the excerpt from a spreadsheet attached to this declaration as Appendix C.
- 10. On November 11, 2003, I revised the Patent Application to incorporate the comments from the inventor for the First Draft, and sent a revised Patent Application to in-house counsel at Nortel, as evidenced by the spreadsheet attached to this declaration as Appendix C.
- 11. On November 11, 2003, my assistant, Jennifer Alkove, sent a copy of the revised Patent Application and the inventor declaration and assignment document to the inventor to be signed, as evidenced by the spreadsheet attached to this declaration as Appendix C.
- 12. On November 19, 2003, I received a signed inventor declaration and assignment document from the inventor, as evidenced by the spreadsheet attached to this declaration as Appendix C.

- 13. On November 25, 2003, I received approval from in-house counsel at Nortel to file the Patent Application substantially as drafted in the Patent Application sent to in-house counsel on November 11, 2003, as evidenced by the spreadsheet attached to this declaration as Appendix C.
- 14. On November 26, 2003, the Patent Application was filed at the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office and was assigned Application Serial Number 10/723,831.
- 15. I hereby declare that all declarations made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Benjamin S. Withrow

May 30, 2006

Date